

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

NATIONWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY NETWORK

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the need for a nationwide public safety network, including S. 3756, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide public safety providers an additional 10 megahertz of spectrum to support a national, interoperable wireless broadband network and authorize the Federal Communications Commission to hold incentive auctions to provide funding to support such a network, after receiving testimony from James Arden Barnett, Jr., Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Mayor Annise D. Parker, Houston, Texas; Robert L. Davis, San Jose Police Department Chief, San Jose, California, on behalf of the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCC); Steve McClure, West Virginia Emergency Medical Services, Ripley; Jeffrey D. Johnson, International Association of Fire Chiefs, Salem, Oregon; and Kenneth J. Zdunek, Roberson and Associates, LLC, Chicago, Illinois.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Energy's Loan Guarantee Program and its effectiveness in spurring the near-term deployment of clean energy technology, after receiving testimony from Jonathan Silver, Executive Director, Loan Programs Office, Department of Energy; Timothy Newell, U.S. Renewables Group, Santa Monica, California; Jens Meyerhoff, First Solar, Tempe, Arizona; Michael D. Scott, Miller Buckfire & Co., LLC, New York, New York; and Marvin S. Fertel, Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), Washington, D.C.

TAX REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine tax reform, focusing on lessons from the Tax Reform Act of 1986, after receiving testimony from former Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives Dick Gephardt; former Representative William R. Archer, Jr.; John E. Chapoton, Brown Advisory, Washington, D.C.; and Randall D. Weiss, Conference Board, New York, New York.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Is-

lamic Republic of Pakistan, Department of State, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

WATER AND SECURITY CHALLENGES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded a hearing to examine challenges to water and security in Southeast Asia, after receiving testimony from Joseph Yun, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Richard P. Cronin, Stimson Center, and Dekila Chungyalpa, World Wildlife Fund, both of Washington; and Aviva Imhof, International Rivers, Berkeley, California.

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Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3751, to amend the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Subra Suresh, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Science Foundation, Mary Minow, of California, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, Julie Reiskin, of Colorado, Joseph Pietrzyk, of Ohio, and Harry Korrell III, of Washington, all to be a Member of the Legal Services Corporation Board, and Pamela Young-Holmes, of Wisconsin, to be a member of the National Council on Disabilities.

Also, Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Children and Families: Senators Dodd (Chair), Bingaman, Murray, Reed, Sanders, Casey, Hagan, Merkley, Bennet, Alexander, Gregg, McCain, Hatch, Murkowski, Coburn, and Roberts.

Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety: Senators Murray (Chair), Dodd, Mikulski, Hagan, Merkley, Franken, Bennet, Goodwin, Isakson, Gregg, Burr, McCain, Hatch, and Murkowski.

Subcommittee on Retirement and Aging: Senators Mikulski (Chair), Bingaman, Reed, Sanders, Casey, Franken, Goodwin, Burr, Gregg, Alexander, Isakson, and Coburn.

Senators Harkin and Enzi are ex-officio members of the subcommittees.

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Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3767, to establish appropriate criminal penalties for certain knowing violations relating to food that is misbranded or adulterated, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and